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PARTY PAPER DENOUNCES SOUTH KOREAN 'PUPPET CLIQUE'

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2320 GMT 15 Feb 77 SK

[NODONG SINMUN 16 February article: "The South Korean Puppet Clique--the Fascist, Corrupt and Treacherous Clique--Cannot Escape the Judgment of History"]

[Text] The anti-fascist struggle aimed at democratization is being daily intensified in South Korea. The people of all strata and broad circles in South Korea are increasingly raising their voices against the fascist acts, pro-Japanese and pro-American flunkeyism, and the plotting of war and permanent division of the country--all being carried out today by the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique.

So long as the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique remains in the power, there is no hope of realizing peace and reunification and attaining democratic freedoms and rights, and national independence. Through painful past experience, the South Korean people have come to realize these facts. Now the people of South Korea are urgently demanding together that the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique step down from power, and such a demand is being echoed strongly among political and social circles as well.

This is by no means a coincidence. It is not only specific classes and circles which suffer pain and misfortune under the fascist reign of the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique. The very fact that the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique can never coexist with the wishes and the yearning of the South Korean people for a right of existence, democratic freedoms, and the reunification of our fatherland becomes clearer as days go by.

To get rid of the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique is the urgent demand of the South Korean people, and the indications that the anti-Pak Chong-hui clique movements are today expanding in South Korea well reflect such an urgent desire on the part of the people. The Pak Chong-hui clique's deeds in usurping the rewards of the people who toppled the treacherous Syngman Rhee regime with their blood and took over the helm of the puppet government, are most cruel, oppressive, and shameless ones thoroughly consistent with the crimes of treachery and treason.

The military coup carried out under the protection of the U.S. imperialists' bayonets trampled the ardent wishes of the people for freedom, liberation, and reunification of the fatherland, and was a brigandish act which attempted to take over political power to themselves and turn the country into a colonialist puppet regime. This was nothing but an act of robbery.

The Pak Chong-hui fascist clique, which itself became a puppet regime through suppressing the peoples' mass movements which spread like a prairie fire into every corner of South Korea with the aim of realizing reunification, staged acts of deception by donning civilian clothes instead of uniforms under the pretext of a shift of the government from military hands into civilian control—in order to prolong its dirty political life. From this act onwards, the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique has dared to employ every conceivable dirty trick and act of robbery, up to the amendment of the constitution for a third presidential term. And when it ran out of tricks it, without hesitation, turned all South Korea into a fascist well under the foul play of the so-called October yusin.

Not a single day passes under the terrorist reign of the Pak Chung-hui puppet clique, without invocation of the emergency martial law, the garrison law, emergency decrees, and so forth, in South Korea. Mass arrests and political trials are daily events, and so are the arrest, detention, torture, and execution of innocent democratic and patriotic personages. Numerous patriotic, democratic personages and youth and students have either been massacred or sentenced to heavy penalties through the revolutionary peoples party case, the democratic youth and student case, the case of student spies infiltrated onto the campuses, the democratic national salvation case, and so forth.

They have even kidnapped, persecuted, and put on trial democratic personages residing overseas. Democratic political, social, and press organizations have been suppressed and disbanded, and the campuses are now turned into military drill grounds following the expulsion of conscientious professors, students, artists, and journalists from their positions. The Pak Chong-hui fascist gangsters have mercilessly suppressed with tanks the youth and students' democratic movements, and carried out the unprecedently bestial act of closing down campuses for political reasons.

In what history book have such acts been recorded? The Pak Chong-hui puppet clique's fascist acts, although unprecedented, have been carried out to sell out the nation and the country without the slightest hesitation. Having chained the hands and feet of the people, the puppets dared to conclude the Korea-Japan normalization pact, a repetition of the humiliating Ulsa Treaty [signed between Yi Dynasty Korea and Japan], paving the way for another aggression against Korea by the Japanese imperialists. And the puppets drove the young South Koreans onto the battle fronts of South Vietnam to pose as a shield for the U.S. aggressors and die there, and have economically sold out the country by bringing in foreign monopolistic capital.

The puppet clique is polluting the land in South Korea by bringing in Japanese industries, infamous for their pollution, and by even bringing industrial waste into the country in exchange for a few dollars, and thereby causing the destruction of nature. They have openly encouraged Kisaeng tourism as a state enterprise, an intolerable criminal act of selling the chastity of Korean womenhood to foreigners. These are indeed base and immoral acts!

Another intolerable criminal act committed by the Pak Chong-hui clique is the plotting of the perpetual division of this country, running counter to the people's wish for reunification, and thereby creating a grave situation.

In order to maintain and prolong its power, the puppet regime has been blocking with every available means peaceful reunification and busying itself with constructing obstacles between North and South Korea. Even after it came forward to the dialog table with us for reunification, compelled and pressured by the general trend that demands reunification, they dared to discard and trample upon, like trash, the three principles for reunification of fatherland manifested in the joint North-South statement calling for peaceful, independent reunification and grand alliance of the nation, and advocated a confrontation with us. It finally came up with a two-Korea policy completely disrupting the dialog itself.

The October yusin row created by the puppets under the martial law, during the course of the North-South dialog, clearly indicates that they only needed the dialog with us for the purpose of preparing the perpetuation of their regime. The facts that, while at the dialog table with us, the puppets vehemently raised an anti-communism row, declared a state of war condition in South Korea under the pretext of national security and national consensus, enacted various evil wartime laws and decrees, such as the social safety law and so forth, and that they have ferociously stepped up the fascist campaign against the patriotic democratic forces which yearn for realization of democracy and reunification of the fatherland strongly and clearly prove this.

In order to avoid or shift responsibility about the disruption of the dialog, the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique has been voicing senseless remarks. This is nothing but a fool's scheme. Their intent and the purpose chattering about the resumption of the dialog, while kicking up anti-communist rows, breaching the agreements of the joint statement, and attempting to internationalize the division of Korea by proposing concurrent memberships for North and South Korea at the United Nations, are too obvious. They only want to gain time and forever perpetuate the division of Korea under the pretext of dialog.

The puppets' treacherous and treasonous acts of selling out our nation and country, and plotting for perpetual split, are clearly indicated by their begging from their American master, offering even large bribes to it, in order to continue its occupation of South Korea forever, and overlook suppression of human rights in South Korea.

The Pak Chong-hui puppet clique, in order to strengthen the dirty relations with the Japanese reactionaries' ruling class, has given them large bribes. They are flattering and depending on foreign forces precisely in order to prolong their power. Under the slogans of an anti-corruption campaign and so forth, they are pocketing huge sums from the national treasury and peoples' property through fraudulent practices.

Numerous fraudulent practices, including the four major scandals, the political funds case involving Korea's property claims against Japan, the contribution of political funds by Gulf Oil Company, and so forth, enabled the puppet regime's ruling class to accumulate several hundred billion won. It is a well-known fact that Pak Chong-hui himself amassed more than others.

All of these facts clearly show that the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique is the worst sort of fascist gangsters' group, the most militant, base, and cursed group comprised of the worst traitors and splittists. Because of fascist practices by the South Korean puppet group, South Korea has now literally been turned into a trash heap of democracy. Because of their treasonous policies of dependency upon foreign influence, everything in South Korea belongs to foreign aggressors. Even national pride is gone forever.

Because of the puppets' scheme to split the country, the nation now faces the danger of perpetuation of division, and their war plotting is gravely endangering peace in Korea.

With the Pak Chong-hui clique in power, there will be no democratization of South Korean society, nor will the realization of peace and reunification of Korea be possible. The anti-Pak Chong-hui trend among the people of all circles and democratic personages in South Korea is daily gaining momentum, and cries demanding the resignation of the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique are becoming louder and louder. All of these things are attributable to the above facts.

So long as the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique continues its plotting of division, war, treason, and fascism in South Korea, it will not escape the accusations of angry people, and will further meet greater and stronger resistance. The Pak Chong-hui puppet clique will not escape the solemn judgment of history for its treasonous acts.

U.S. PAPER SUPPORTS DPRK NATIONAL SALVATION PROPOSAL

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1012 GMT 17 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang 17 February (KCNA) -- The U.S. paper "WORKERS' WORLD" 11 February carried an article by its chief editor in support of the letter adopted at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of our country, according to a report from New York. Expressing full support to the letter, the article said:

Korea was invaded by U.S. troops who leveled vast areas of the country while fighting under the label of the "UN Command." Even today there are some 40,000 U.S. troops in South Korea equipped with nuclear weapons.

The United States supplies South Korea with military aid and equipment. Despite the tremendous preponderance of weapons and troop strength, the United States and its puppet regime in South Korea headed by Pak Chong-hui justify the fierce repression there by inventing the threat of "invasion from the North."

The article noted that by the daily mounting struggle against the Pak "regime," a new political situation has been created in South Korea.

Introducing the four-point national salvation proposal advanced by the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of our country, the article continued:

The people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea have built up an industrialized and modern country literally out of the ashes.

South Korea has become a classic right-wing military dictatorship where the masses are kept under an iron heel to protect the enormous privileges of a few.

INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT CONTINUES FOR SALVATION PROPOSAL

Foreign Parties

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1029 GMT 28 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 28 Feb (KCNA)--Public organisations of foreign countries made public statements supporting the new national salvation proposal put forward by a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country, according to reports.

In a statement the Arab Women's Federation stressed:

The National Salvation Proposal is not only a most reasonable and fairest proposal for freeing the Korean women and children of the sufferings resulting from the division and bringing earlier the independent and peaceful reunification of the country but also a basic guarantee for peace in Asia and the rest of the world.

The statement strongly demanded that the south Korean authorities halt the nation-splittist manoeuvres and the fascist repression of the patriotic people and women of south Korea and release the illegally detained patriotic democratic figures.

The Central Council of Trade Unions of Poland said in a statement: The consistent struggle of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the country's peaceful reunification enjoys full support of the Polish working people.

The statement lodged a protest with the south Korean puppets against their terrorism and suppression of the progressive democratic forces in south Korea.

In a statement the Czechoslovak Anti-fascist Fighters Union voiced full support to the Korean people in the struggle for the peaceful reunification of the country.

Noting that the forces trying hard to perpetuate the division of Korea are the puppet regime of south Korea and its U.S. and Japanese patrons, the

statement denounced the south Korean puppet regime for its criminal intensification of the fascist crackdown upon the patriotic democratic forces in south Korea.

The General Union of Iraqi Women, the General Union of Women of Palestine and the Finnish Peace Committee recently issued statements supporting the new National Salvation Proposal adopted by the joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country.

Resolutions or statements supporting our new National Salvation Proposal were also adopted at regular meetings of the Shizuoka District Headquarters and the Hokkaido District Headquarters of the Socialist Youth League of Japan, at a regular meeting of the Nanto, Osaka, branch of the Osaka District Headquarters of the Socialist Youth League of Japan, a meeting of the Fellow Student Society of the National Federation of Students Self-government Associations of Kyoto University in Japan and at the Hokkaido Song Festival.

United Front of Romania

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1009 GMT 28 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 28 Feb (KCNA)—The National Council of the Socialist United Front of Romania in a message of solidarity to the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland said: "The Romanian people who have always manifested full solidarity with the Korean people in their struggle for achieving national reunification voice solidarity for the new proposals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for removing the danger of war and permanent national split and assure you that we will as always send full fraternal support to you."

Supporting the new National Salvation Proposal advanced by the joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country, the message pointed out: This new political initiative is one of the constructive proposals set forth by the DPRK for translating into reality the cherished national desire of the entire Korean people to live in a reunified state and advance along the road of socio-economic progress independently and freely.

The message expressed the conviction that the fraternal friendship, militant solidarity and multilateral cooperation between the peoples of Korea and Romania would develop in depth in the interests of the cause of socialism and peace in the world, guided by the spirit of the talks held between Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and Comrade Kim Il-song.

Polish United Front

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1540 GMT 25 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 25 Feb (KCNA)—The Polish people extend full support to the righteous struggle of the fraternal Korean people to achieve the peaceful

reunification of the country, liberate the compatriots in south Korea from terror and rightless state and safeguard peace in Korea and the world over. The Polish people will continue to support the initiatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

So stressed a letter from the National Committee of the Polish People's United Front to the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Re-unification of the Fatherland.

The letter sent in support of the new National Salvation Proposal advanced by the joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country to realise the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea said: The new National Salvation Proposal is not only irrefutable proof of the high patriotism of the Korean people but also a basis for truly democratic consultation represented by the broadest public circles of the north and the south and an expression of trust in all the political forces of south Korea who have national conscience and political realism.

The letter expressed the belief that all the proposals contained in the letter to political parties, public organisations and people of all strata in south Korea and compatriots overseas would certainly be realised.

Syrian Batth Party

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1015 GMT 26 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 26 Feb (KCNA)—The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea received a letter of solidarity from the national leadership of the Arab Socialist Bath Party of Syria supporting the new National Salvation Proposal put forward at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyongyang on 25 January. The letter said:

We acknowledge the receipt of the "Letter to the political parties, public organisations and people of all strata in south Korea and compatriots overseas" which was adopted at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyongyang on 25 January 1977.

We assure you that the new four-point National Salvation Proposal for the peaceful reunification of the country clarified in your letter is drawing great attention of our party leadership and members, people of all strata, public organisations and press media.

This is a patent proof of our party's full support to the principled proposal of your government for preventing the split of the nation, eradicating the danger of war and reunifying the split country in a peaceful way and of its powerful solidarity with the just struggle of your people.

Extending our invariable firm support and encouragement to the struggle of the Korean people for the peaceful reunification of the country, we hope for an early realisation of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

Please accept our sincere comradely greetings.

Burundi National Unity Party

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1042 GMT 26 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 26 Feb (KCNA)—The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea received a solidarity letter from the Central Committee of the Party of National Unity and Progress of Burundi supporting the new National Salvation Proposal put forward by a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyongyang on 25 January. The letter said:

Acknowledging the receipt of the letter adopted at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations in the northern half of Korea, we assure you once again of our full support to the just struggle of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

We denounce the south Korean Puppet clique's policy of converting a half of the country into a nuclear base of the imperialists.

We express our full support to the four-point National Salvation Proposal put forth at the joint meeting held in Pyongyang on 25 January.

We support the struggle waged undauntedly by the patriotic democratic figures in the southern half of Korea together with the brothers in the northern half for the reunification of Korea.

If the constant tension is to be removed for good, the U.S. troops occupying south Korea must be unconditionally withdrawn with all their weapons of destruction including nuclear weapons.

We trenchantly condemn the Pak Chong-hui fascist cliques' splittist and traitorous acts.

The Burundi people united around the Party of National Unity and Progress of Burundi are convinced that Korea will be reunified before long by the great alliance of the socialist forces in the north and the patriotic forces in the south.

Please accept our friendly greetings.

Cuban Support Committee

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1044 GMT 25 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 25 Feb (KCNA)—The Cuban Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification recently made public a statement in support of the new National Salvation Proposal adopted at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country, according to a report from Havana.

The new four-point proposal put forward by political parties and public organisations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea calls for a great alliance of the socialist forces in the north and the patriotic democratic forces in the south, stressed the statement. It declared:

The Cuban Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification warmly hails the new proposal of political parties and public organisations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which will pave the way for the solution of the question of national reunification by the efforts of the Korean people themselves, frustrate the scheme of the reacitonary forces to fabricate "two Koreas" and remove the danger of a new war.

The statement exposed the provocative manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists and their stooges threatening peace in Korea, Asia and the world and declared that the aggressive reactionary forces have turned the southern half of Korea into a land where all democratic liberties are stifled and stamped out.

The statement condemned the imperialists and their stooges for intensifying aggression and provocation against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, shipping new military equipment including nuclear weapons into south Korea and building military bases there. It pointed out that they are harshly suppressing the patriotic democratic forces in south Korea who demand the withdrawal of the foreign troops and an end to the plunder of natural resources.

Cuban Steel Plant

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1026 GMT 2 Mar 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 2 Mar (KCNA)—A meeting was held recently at the "Cubana de Acero" steel plant of Cuba to voice support to the new National Salvation Proposal for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea which was put forward at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country, according to a report.

Addressing the meeting, Eduardo Reina, secretary of the Centre of Cuban Workers who is vice-chairman of the Cuban Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification, pointed to the consistent struggle waged by the Korean people for the reunification of the country.

President Kim Il-song has ever since the division of the country by the U.S. imperialists put forward correct lines and policies to realise the reunification of the country at an early date reflecting the unanimous desire of the entire Korean people.

We referred to the Three Principles and Five-point Policy of National Reunification laid down by the great leader.

The Cuban people fully support the letter adopted at the joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on 25 January, he stressed.

The meeting adopted a letter supporting the new National Salvation Proposal for Korea's reunification.

The meeting was attended by the vice-chairman of the Cuban National Committee for Defence of Peace and Sovereignty of the People who is acting chairman of the Cuban Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification, personages concerned and employees of the plant.

The charge d'affairs ad interim and military attache of the DPRK Embassy in Havana were invited to the meeting.

Lao Patriotic Front

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1009 GMT 24 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 24 Feb (KCNA)—The Central Committee of the Lao Patriotic Front standing foursquare behind the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in its position warmly supports the new proposals of national reunification set forth at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyongyang on 25 January 1977, and will always stand firm on the side of the fraternal Korean people, declared the Central Committee of the Lao Patriotic Front in its letter of solidarity to the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland.

The letter vehemently denounced the U.S. imperialists and the traitorous Pak Chong-hui puppet clique who are suppressing and threatening the south Korean patriotic people and making desperate efforts to keep Korea permanently split into "two Koreas," while introducing large quantities of nuclear weapons into south Korea.

This, the letter said, clearly showed to the world people that the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Chong-hui traitors are barbaric warmaniacs trying to ignite a new war in Korea.

The letter stressed that the proposal for the convocation of a north-south political consultative conference represented by the political parties and public organisations and people of all strata in the north and the south is a most justifiable proposal for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country by the Korean people. The Central Committee of the Lao Patriotic Front strongly demands that, for the realisation of this just proposal, the U.S. imperialists and the traitorous Pak Chong-hui puppet clique unconditionally withdraw the U.S aggression troops from south Korea, stop introducing nuclear weapons and all other weapons and military equipment and create an atmosphere of great national unity, the letter noted. It said in conclusion:

The Central Committee of the Lao Patriotic Front shares with the entire Lao people the firm belief that the Korean people under the wise leadership of

the Workers Party of Korea will certainly win the struggle to achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea, denouncing and rejecting all the intrigues of the U.S. imperialists and the traitorous Pak Chong-hui puppet clique.

Lao Groups

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1529 GMT 1 Mar 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 1 Mar (KCNA)—The Central Committee of the Union of Lao Workers, the Lao People's Revolutionary Youth Union and the Lao Committee for Afro-Asian Solidarity sent solidarity letters to their counterparts in Korea in support of the new National Salvation Proposal put forward at a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyong-yang.

Pointing out in unison that the new National Salvation Proposal advanced at the joint meeting is a very fair proposal reflecting most truthfully the ardent desire of the Korean people, the letters declared that the Lao people will actively support with might and main the just struggle of the Korean people till they win final victory in the struggle for the reunification of the country.

In the letters the Lao public organisations held that the U.S. imperialists and the south Korean authorities should immediatley accept the fair proposal of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and sternly denounced the new war provocation manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique.

The U.S. imperialists must unconditionally withdraw all their aggressor troops and military equipment from south Korea and promptly stop introducing into south Korea all weapons including nuclear arms and war supplies, the letters stressed.

Mongolian Revolutionary Party

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1013 GMT 27 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 27 Feb (KCNA)—The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea received 21 February a letter of solidarity from the Central Committee of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party sent in support of the new National Salvation Proposal advanced by a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyongyang on 25 January. The letter said:

The Central Committee of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party acknowledges the receipt of your letter dated 26 January 1977, enclosed with the "Letter to the political parties and public organisations and people of all

strata in south Korea and compatriots overseas" sent by the joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The new initiative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on convening a north-south political consultative conference at which representatives of political parties, public organisations and people of all strata in the north and the south of Korea will discuss the question of clearing the obstacle to the peaceful reunification of the country is in full accord with the desire and aspiration of the entire Korean people.

To achieve the peaceful reunification of Korea in a democratic way on the basis of the sovereignty of the Korean people without interference of outside forces is of vital importance not only for the entire Korean people but in preserving peace and security in Asia and the rest of the world.

The Mongolian People's Revolutionary party which has always stood on the side of the Korean people in their righteous struggle once again manifests its support to the new proposal of the political parties and public organisations of the DPRK which will again draw the attention of the world public circles to the necessity of solving the Korean question peacefully on a democratic principle at the earliest possible date.

The Central Committee of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party takes this opportunity to wish the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and the fraternal Korean people new great success in the cause of socialist construction and in the struggle for national reunification.

Please accept our communist greetings.

'NODONG SINMUN' SCORES ROK 'WILDCAT' WAR MOVES

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[Text] Pyongyang 17 February (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN, in an article explaining the new national salvation proposal put forward by the recent joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang castigates, the rash and reckless war racket of the puppets going against the trend of the times.

Due to the wildcat war moves of the puppet clique becoming ever more unscrupulous in South Korea, the tension persists and peace is jeopardized as ever in Korea, the article remarks, and says: The puppet clique have become all the more frantic in their war maneuvers.

It points to the fact that the puppets who have carried on the "plan for the modernization" of the puppet army, begging for more U.S. weapons and dollars from several years ago, are these days further hastening the war preparations under a "five-year plan for the increase of the fighting capacity."

In a criminal attempt to have a "test" of "strength" with us after reinforcing the armed forces and equipment of the puppet army, the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique wrested more than 200,000 million won on an average every year from the people as the "defense tax," and so on. And this year they plan to squeeze 66,000 million more won from the people than last year, and introduce a huge "military loan" amounting to over 1,500 million dollars and equipment from the United States.

In recent years, they introduced into South Korea "Redeye" missiles, "Nike Hercules" missiles, supersonic fighter-bombers, and other new-type planes, new-type destroyers, various types of tanks, guns, amphibian tanks, and other military equipment from the United States, and took over war materials used by the U.S. imperialists during the war of aggression in Vietnam.

Besides, they were given military equipment worth 633 million dollars by the United States between June 1975 and May 1976.

Saying that the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique are drawing even the Japanese reactionaries into war preparations, the article continues: The Japanese monopolies are planning to produce and send weapons to South Korea, directly supplying the puppet army with means of transport and communications, and laying a foothold for accelerating the militarization of the economy in South Korea.

The stepping up of war preparations by the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique, with the backing of the aggressive forces of the United States and Japan, is an unpardonable criminal act designed to start a war in Korea.

This is proved by the commandeering and mobilization of human and material resources in war preparations under a wartime military mobilization system in South Korea. The puppet clique have placed the puppet army over 700,000 strong on a "wartime footing" and are staging war exercises, herding out millions of people, young and old, men and women, to train them for "mobilization in case of emergency."

They have newly activated "combat reserve forces" hundreds of thousands strong, and are hastening their arming with heavy weapons.

The construction and expansion of military bases are progressing apace in South Korea. Airfields, missile bases, and radar bases are being constructed or expanded, and harbors converted into naval ports.

Today South Korea has been turned into a military base, army barracks and military drill ground where huge armed forces are amassed and everything is subordinated to the execution of the war policy.

The gravity of the situation lies in the fact that South Korea has been turned into a nuclear base of the U.S. imperialists due to the treacherous moves of the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique zealously following the outside forces' policy of aggression and war.

The act of the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique, who keep atomic and nuclear weapons and the U.S. troops in South Korea under the U.S. nuclear umbrella, and are creating the danger of a nuclear war, is a treacherous act never to be condoned down through generations.

In conclusion the article warns:

If the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique persist in their reckless maneuvers, going against the desire of the nation and demand of the times, they will be unable to escape a stern judgment of history and the people.

FURTHER INDOCTRINATION IN REVOLUTIONARY TRADITIONS URGED

Pyongyang NODONG SINMUN in Korean 3 Jan 77 p 3

[Article by Kim Chong-ung: "In Order to Step Up the Indoctrination in the Revolutionary Traditions and to Follow the Example of the Loyalty of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas -- Regarding the Work of the Primary Level Party Committee of the Man'gyongdae Machine Tool Plant and the Three Revolutions Team Dispatched to the Plant."]

[Text] Comrade Kim Il-song, the respected and beloved leader, taught us as follows:

"We must see to it that the indoctrination in the revolutionary traditions will be stepped up among the workers, and that all the people will follow the example of the indomitable, noble revolutionary spirit and the revolutionary characters of our revolutionary patriotic forerunners."

Upholding deep in their hearts the programmatic instruction of the great leader, all the party organizations and the three-revolutions teams dispatched to local areas are vigorously launching the indoctrination in the revolutionary traditions as well as in the party policies, thereby achieving great results in the implementation of the three major revolutions — ideological, technological and cultural.

This has been fully attested by the work of the Mangyongdae Machine Tool Plant Primary Level Party Committee, which, in close cooperation with the three-revolutions team dispatched to the plant, regarded with firm determination the indoctrination in the revolutionary traditions as an important factor in pushing the ideological revolution and unceasingly intensified the revolutionary traditions indoctrination.

It is a fundamental duty of the ideological work of our party to effectively bring up the people as chuche-type revolutionaries who are endlessly loyal to the great leader and who sturdily wage struggle with the revolutionary faith not swerving in any adversities. Such work cannot be carried out correctly if it is separated from the work of indoctrinating the people designed to let them follow the example of the lofty fighting spirit of the revolutionary patriotic forerunners.

Therefore, the plant's primary level party committee and the three-revolutions team put a great emphasis on instructing the party members and workers regarding the overall history of the glorious and brilliant revolution of the great leader, the revolutionary character of the leader's leadership and the lofty virtue of the leader. They also greatly emphasized the work of instructing them in the example of the endless loyalty of the anti-Japanese revolutionary patriotic forerunners to the great leader.

Furthermore, the plant's primary level party committee, thoroughly understanding that the indoctrination in the revolutionary traditions constitutes one of the fundamental guarantees for vigorously launching into dyeing the entire society one color in the unitary ideology and orienting the entire society to the chuche ideology, mapped out effective strategies for an assured implementation of the revolutionary traditions indoctrination work, whenever it planned and carried out a series of ideological work.

For example, whenever it operated "the Study Rooms for the Revolutionary Ideology of Comrade Kim Il-song," the committee unfailingly carried out actively the work for following the example of the lofty revolutionary spirit of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas, who always cared for the safety of the headquarters first and protected the great leader at the risk of their lives, who made the leader's revolutionary ideology into their bones and flesh, and who fought like a phoenix in order to carry out his orders and directives. When it launched propaganda and agitation activities, the committee was consistently concerned about calling upon the producing masses to create meritorious services, using the materials for the party policies indoctrination in combination with those for the revolutionary traditions indoctrination.

Furthermore, the committee put emphasis on launching the revolutionary traditions indoctrination work in various forms and by various methods.

The committee not only held paper reading meetings to discuss the memoirs of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas in "the Study Rooms for the Revolutionary Ideology of Comrade Kim Il-song" and in the actual work sites, but also launched aggressively the propaganda and agitation work of paraphrasing, by means of the mobile illustration plates and the folding-screen-type picture plates, the contents of the memoirs, including "the reminiscence of Comrade Kim Chong-suk." Thus it appealed to the workers to follow the example of the militant style of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas. When holding meetings, including lecture meetings, the committee paraphrased the courses of the revolutionary activities of the great leader and actively launched paper readings regarding the novels depicting the revolutionary traditions, including "the 1932" and "Marches in tribulation" -- titles from the series entitled "Immortal Ideology."

Through the process of launching the revolutionary traditions indoctrination work in various ways, the workers of the plant studied the revolutionary

traditions materials not merely as historical facts but as the revolutionary ideology and the lofty virtues of the great leader and the indomitable fighting spirit of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas; they were thus able to engrave the traditions deeply in their hearts.

Important in intensifying the revolutionary traditions indoctrination work and succeeding the revolutionary traditions is to actively follow the example of the revolutionary work style set by the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas in the anti-Japanese armed struggle and to thoroughly realize the style in work and life.

The plant's primary level party committee and the three-revolutions team dispatched to the plant implemented this by consistently carrying out the revolutionary slogan set forth by the party center "Production, learning and living -- all these in the style of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas!" Thus they vigorously launched the struggle to boldly sweep away all the old-fashioned and stagnant elements in ideological outlook, work styles, work manner, and learning style.

This was attested by the fact that the problem of improving the boiler of the plant was resolved in a revolutionary fashion revolutionarily in the process of vigorously launching the struggle to follow the example of the revolutionary work style of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas.

Early last September, the three-revolutions team mapped out a plan to boldly improve the boiler in order to thoroughly implement the great leader's on-the-spot instruction regarding the effective solution of the heating problem.

However, there was a series of difficult problems that must be solved in the process of carrying out the plan.

Nevertheless, the three major revolutions team figured that these problems could be solved, if the ideological revolution is pushed hard and every worker work in the revolutionary style -- militantly working in the style of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas.

Furthermore, the team launched the ideological mobilization work.

The members of the team, including Comrade Yi Sin-hyok, who worked on the maintenance and power shop, working together with the functionaries and workers at the combat post, emphatically telling them about the lofty posture of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas who consistently carried the great leader's instruction through to the end — using the memoirs of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas: "Orders must be carried consistently through to the end" and "When you are determined, you can do anything" — urged them to follow the example of the burning loyalty of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas.

Thus, reporting the fresh results achieved in the process of the combat, there appeared wall bulletins with headlines reading: "Let us follow the example of the spirit of unconditionality of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas;" "With that spirit and mettle in which the Yongil bombs were made!"; and "A breakthrough was made just as partisan hero Comrade Kim Chin did!" etc.

In this way, the combat outpost where the boiler was being improved came to be filled with the revolutionary and militant spirit, and [the workers] were determined to carry out through to the end the combat missions assigned to them with the spirit of absoluteness and unconditionality of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas.

The functionaries, while carrying on their overall work at the plant, jumped in first on difficult and hard work, as the officers of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas did, and solved the pending problems. The workers, including Comrade Kim Yong-nam, a work team leader, fully displayed the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and actively solved various technological problems.

As a result of this, a semiautomated, modern boiler was built in a short period of time; and it was done to a great profit of the state.

Events like this can be found everywhere in the plant, including where Comrade Pak Sun-tong, a member of the revolutions team, helped the workers of the plant making a crane.

The work designed to promote a constant interest in an effective revolutionary traditions indoctrination and to follow the example of the revolutionary style of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas greatly contributed to the establishment of the militant learning style in the entire plant and the establishment of the militant life style and the militant livelihood style in the rank and file.

Thus, today the party members and the workers of the Chollima Mangyongdae Machine Tool Plant are being trained more and more thoroughly as the real chuche-type revolutionaries, who, following the example of the great loyalty of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas to the great leader, would protect and safeguard the respected and beloved leader whom our people have had for the first time in history and whom they highly revere politically and ideologically, and who would revolutionarily work, learn and live with their youthful aspirations and passion.

Life is clearly showing us that, when [we] consistently cherish in our hearts the great leader's instruction regarding further stepping up the revolutionary traditions indoctrination together with the party policies indoctrination and intensify the organizational and political work designed to actively realize the leader's instruction in actual life, we can accomplish greater results in the implementation of the three major revolutions — ideological, technological and cultural.

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ECONOMIC ROLE OF LOCAL POWER ORGANS IMPORTANT

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[Text] Pyongyang, 26 Feb (KCNA)—Today our people are leading a boundlessly happy life under the socialist system established by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il—song.

The local power organs hold a very important place in constantly raising the material and cultural standards of our people to make them enjoy better the deep love and solicitude of the great leader for our people.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, basing himself on a comprehensive and deep-going analysis of the popular character and mission of our revolutionary power, the essential demand of socialist society and its position in the system of the state organ of our republic, gave a classic exposition that the local power organs are the householder in charge of the people's living conditions. The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught:

"The people's committees at all levels are the most comprehensive transmission belt linking the party with the masses; they are the executor of our party's lines and policies and the householder in charge of the people's living conditions."

The classic exposition of the great leader that the local power organs are the householder in charge of the people's living conditions indicates that they should directly ensure the living conditions of the people in their respective areas, take full care of their life to the end on their responsibility and secure everything needed for their life in the respective areas.

The reason why the local power organs are the householder in charge of the people's living conditions can be explained first of all by the popular character of our revolutionary power.

Our power is fundamentally different from the anti-popular and reactonary bourgeois government representing the interests of the exploiter clauses, is

genuine revolutionary power of the workers and peasants which struggles for the interests of the broad masses of the working people.

Our power organs are managed and run entirely by the masses of the working people and the power organs and the popular masses have an inseparable kind-red relationship to each other. Therefore, our power has it as its basic mission to realise the will and demand of the working people and takes it as the supreme principle guiding its activities to promote the wellbeing of the people.

The local power organs are the householder in charge of the people's living conditions also because this is a lawful demand of socialist society where the undivided sway of the socialist relations of production has been established.

The collectivist principle of life prevails in socialist society. Accordingly, the working people entrust their destiny and life wholly to the party and the state, thinking of the interests of the society, collective, party and revolution before their personal interests and struggling with all devotion for the former,

In socialist society, therefore, the question of the people's livelihood cannot be a question confined to every individual but is raised as the question related to the whole society and whole country.

On the other hand, with the allout establishment of the socialist relations of production, the state of the working class takes uniform hold of the country's economy as a whole, guides and manages it in a planned way and the local power organs play the role of the householder taking full charge of the production, construction and life of the people in their respective areas and directly organising, planning and guiding all economic work from production to distribution and consumption in accordance with the economic law of socialism.

Our local power organs should play the role of the householder in charge of the people's living conditions especially because it poses as a more important question in view of their position in the system of the power organ of our republic.

The local power organs are the organiser and executor in the system of the power organs of the republic.

With the dissolution of the power organ for further advance under the socialist constitution of our country the county power organ has become the lowest administrative executive unit.

This makes the local power organs directly execute the popular policies of the party and the state for the masses conditions of the people on their responsibility.

The local power organs also assume the responsibility of organising and managing many local economic, educational, cultural and public health organs which serve the people's living and of running the economy in their areas.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song gave comprehensive teachings on the tasks of the local power organs and ways for successfully performing their duty as the householder in charge of the people's living conditions.

Indeed, the teaching of the great leader that the local power organs are the householder in charge of the people's living conditions is a programmatic guideline in expediting our revolution and construction by further raising the function and role of the local power organs in conformity with the intrinsic nature of the socialist system.

MEETING HELD IN TOKYO ON LOCKHEED, ROK BRIBE SCANDALS

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[Text] Tokyo 10 February (KNS-KCNA)—The Central Executive Committee for Abrogation of the "Japan-United States Security Treaty," and for other demands, called an "emergency meeting of representatives of various circles demanding a thorough clarification of the Lockheed scandal and corrupt Japan—'ROK' relations" at the first Dietmen's Hall of the House of Representatives on 7 February.

It was attended by many representatives of 68 organizations.

The general secretary of the Central Executive Committee for Abrogation of the "Japan-United States Security Treaty," and for other demands, spoke at the meeting on behalf of the sponsor side.

He was followed on the rostrum by critic Shin Aochi, an observer, who declared that the corrupt Japan-"ROK" relations are as plain a reality as the "Lockheed" scandal.

The government leaves no stone unturned in its efforts to prevent the exposure of these filthy relations, he said.

Stressing that this state of things must not be overlooked, he called upon the progressive political parties and democratic organizations to develop with their united strength the struggle against the shady Japan-"ROK" adhesion through a nationwide movement.

Then a special report was made by Atsushi Hashimoto, member of the House of Councilors.

He emphasized that the corrupt plutocratic politics of the Liberal Democratic Party must be scathingly condemned through a vehement struggle for exposing the Japan-"ROK" adhesion which is lashing the Japanese people into bitter fury.

Dwelling on the questions made clear in the course of his month-long investigation in the United States from the end of last year, he said:

According to testimonies of South Koreans in the United States, the activities of the South Korean "Central Intelligence Agency" in the United States are subtly cunning. Divided into three groups—"white," "black," and "blue"—it watches the anti-Pak "regime" movements and, at the same time, concentrates efforts on building pro-South Korean groups.

"White" has operated mainly among scholars and men of the press for drawing them into the pro-Pak "regime" group; "black" conducted a coercive operation in link with terrorist groups and gang rings; and "blue" carried out a bribing operation vis-a-vis the U.S. Congress through Pak Tong-son and others, which has developed into a big political problem.

Stating that a bribing operation was under way in Japan in similar forms, he exposed that the South Korean puppet clique accumulated illicit fortunes by inducing foreign monopolies.

A resolution was adopted at the meeting. It demanded that necessary measures be taken for disclosing the whole picture of the "Lockheed" scandal, and a special committee for investigation into the Japan-"ROK" problems be set up.

KPA ANNIVERSARY MARKED IN ROMANIA, MPR, ALBANIA

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[Text] Pyongyang 16 February (KCNA)--Meetings marking the 29th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army were held in Romania, Mongolia, and Albania, according to reports.

A servicemen's meeting was held on the 7th at the Central Hall of Soldiers in Bucharest, the capital of Romania, under the sponsorship of the Ministry of National Defense.

Speaking at the meeting, the first deputy chief of general staff of the Romanian People's Army noted that the Korean People's Army has grown in strength to be [one of the] world's first-class modern revolutionary armed forces, and is filled with the strong fighting spirit and determination to crush any imperialist aggressors.

A meeting was also held at the Romanian Naval Officers School in Constanta.

The director of the Naval Officers School spoke at the meeting. He noted: The Korean People's Army, founded on the basis of the glorious revolutionary traditions established during the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, organized and led by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, has performed immortal feats in the past 29 years.

The Korean People's Army carried out with credit the revolutionary tasks assigned it by Comrade Kim Il-song, the supreme commander, in the past fatherland liberation war, displaying its honor as the heroic Korean People's Army. The Korean People's Army dealt a heavy blow at the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean reactionaries and won a great victory through its heroic and self-sacrificing struggle.

A unit of the Mongolian People's Army held a meeting on this occasion on 7 February.

Put up with due respect in the meeting place was a photograph showing the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song among soldiers of the People's Army.

Speaking at the meeting, the commander of the unit reviewed the glorious road of victory covered by the Korean People's Army, and hoped that the Korean people and army would score new successes in socialist construction, and in the struggle for the country's reunification.

On the same day, a meeting was held at the "Mehmet Shehu" Military University in Tirana, the capital of Albania.

Addressing the meeting, the head of the social science chair of the university stressed that the victory in the fatherland liberation war demonstrated the great might of the Korean People's Army and proved that no force could hold in check the advance of a people who rose for a cause of justice.

PEACE GROUP APPEALS FOR SUPPORT OF DPRK PROPOSAL

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[Text] Pyongyang 13 February (KCNA)—The Korean National Peace Committee issued a statement on 12 February appealing to the peace organizations and peoples of all countries to render more active support and encouragement to the Korean people's just struggle for the materialization of the new national salvation proposal adopted at a joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang.

The statement stressed that the four-point national salvation proposal advanced by the joint meeting is a most correct and realistic national salvation measure fully according to the aspiration and interest of the Korean people and the world peace-loving people desirous of the peaceful reunification of Korea and the world peace.

The people of broad strata of various countries warmly welcome and support this proposal, the statement pointed out.

Noting that the South Korean authorities are doggedly opposing the withdrawal of the U.S. forces and nuclear weapons from South Korea, defying our just national salvation proposal, the statement declared: If a nuclear war broke out in Korea, it would plunge the world into its scourge and drive the Korean people and the world peace-loving people into great disasters.

In order to prevent these grave disasters which no one wants, it is recommended first of all to achieve the speedy realization of our just national salvation proposal for relaxing the tension and eliminating the danger of a nuclear war in Korea, the statement pointed out.

It stressed: The U.S. forces, the constant source of the peril of a war in our country, must be withdrawn from South Korea, the nuclear base dismantled, and nuclear arms shipped out.

The statement declared in conclusion: "We express the conviction that the peace organizations and peoples of all countries of the world who love peace

and value justice will extend more active support and encouragement to our people's just struggle for thwarting and frustrating the machinations of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets to provoke a nuclear war, easing the tension in Korea, and achieving the independent and peaceful reunification of the country."

GROUP ASKS WORLD SUPPORT FOR 4-POINT PROPOSAL

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[Text] Pyongyang 12 February (KCNA) -- The Korean Committee for Solidarity with the World People made public a statement on 11 February appealing to the peace-loving people of the world to support the four-point new national salvation proposal put forward by the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of our country, and express solidarity with the struggle of the Korean people for its realization.

The statement said that the new proposal advanced by the joint meeting is the most fair and patriotic national salvation proposal for realizing the cause of the peaceful reunification of the country by the concerted efforts of the entire Korean people and a peace-loving and realistic proposal which will greatly contribute to peace in Asia and the World.

It is evident that the continuation of Korea's division under the condition in which South Korea has been turned into a nuclear base of the United States, into huge army barracks, will lead to the outbreak of a nuclear war, the statement noted, and said: This will make it impossible for the Korean people as well as the world people to live in peace.

Stressing that the struggle of our people for national reunification is a noble cause directly connected with the struggle of the world people, the statement said:

The world peace-loving people's international support and solidarity are very precious to the just cause of our people.

In the international arena, voices are rising higher day by day supporting the struggle of our people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, and solidarity committees for supporting Korea's reunification have been formed in various parts of the five continents of the world to resolutely demand the withdrawal of the U.S. troops from South Korea, the abolition of the fascist dictatorship, and the peaceful settlement of the Korean question.

This movement supporting Korea's reunification, which is going on vigorously on a world-wide scale, greatly encourages the struggle of our people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, and deals a heavy blow at the nation-splitting machinations of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets.

We express the belief that the world peace-loving people who are devoted to peace, democracy, national independence, and sovereignty, will always direct deep attention to the Korean question, continue to extend active support to our new national salvation proposal for the realization of the cause of national reunification, and voice firm solidarity with the struggle for its materialization.

KOREANS IN JAPAN CHARGE ROK WITH GERM WEAPON PLAN

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[Text] Pyongyang 13 February (KCNA)—The Association of Korean Democratic Lawyers in Japan and the Association of Korean Scientists in Japan on 10 February published in joint name a statement denouncing the monstrous crimes of the Pak Chong—hui puppet clique in killing South Korean people with bacteriological weapons, cutting off their internal organs and exporting them, according to a KNS report from Tokyo.

Branding this barbarity as a challenge to human conscience and another criminal act against the Korean people, it sternly denounced with better national resentment that accursed brutality.

Declaring that the epidemic hemorrhagic fever that spread in South Korea is not a spontaneous disease but has been pathologically identified as a disease from a new virus cultivated by the U.S. imperialists, the statement said: The U.S. imperialists and the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique are carrying on barbaric experiments on human bodies in secrecy for the sinister purpose of provoking another war, and even committing the unpardonable crime of cutting away internal organs from dead bodies.

Lacking the courage to use nuclear weapons for fear of dununciation by world opinion, the U.S. imperialists are weaving the heinous plot to craftily use germ weapons for indiscriminate mass destruction camouflaged as spontaneity.

The root cause of the distress of the whole nation lies entirely in the U.S. imperialists' occupation of South Korea, and it is a consequence of the treacheries of the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique who maintain power by dirty country-selling acts, and seek accumulation of fortunes in crimes against the nation.

The statement expressed in conclusion the hope that the honest-minded people the world over, including lawyers and scientists, would condemn in louder voice the new war provocation moves of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique, their fascist repression and inhuman bacteriological tests, and extend support and encouragement to the struggle of the South Korean people.

KWP RECEIVES LETTER FROM SOMALI REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

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[Text] Pyongyang 15 February (KCNA) -- The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea received a letter from the Central Committee of the Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party supporting the new national salvation proposal put forward at a joint meeting of political parties and public organizations. The letter says:

We acknowledge the receipt of the full text of the letter to the political parties, public organizations, and people of all strata in South Korea and compatriots overseas, which contains a new proposal for achieving the reunification of the country in a peaceful way by the united efforts of the whole nation.

The Central Committee of the Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party regards this letter as an important milestone recorded in the annals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We believe that the desire of your people to prevent a permanent division of the nation, remove the danger of war, and attain the country's peaceful reunification, will be surely realized under the leadership of Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea, who shoulders heavy responsibility for the country and nation.

We, who have invariably supported the just struggle of the Korean People for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, hope that the Korean people will bring the tragedy of split to an end, and live in one reunified and peaceful Korea without the interference of the Yankees or of the Japs.

We fully support your new national salvation proposal for removing the ever growing danger of war and bringing earlier the country's reunification.

The four-point national salvation proposal for accelerating the independent reunification of the country is a practical measure for creating an atmosphere of great national unity and successfully achieving the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

The Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party representing the entire Somali people will continue to organize and mobilize the entire Somali people to extend powerful support and solidarity for the fraternal Korean people who are struggling for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Availing ourselves of this opportunity, we express our full support and solidarity once again for the struggle of your people to promote the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM NORWEGIAN SOCIALIST LEFT PARTY

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[Text] Pyongyang 14 February (KCNA)--The Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea received a letter from the Central Committee of the Socialist Left Party of Norway supporting the new national salvation proposal advanced at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of our country. The letter said:

The Central Committee of the Socialist Left Party of Norway acknowledges the receipt of the letter of the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of your country sent by the Central Committee of your party, and expresses full solidarity once again with the Korean people in their just struggle for achieving the country's peaceful reunification.

We are following with deep apprehensions the critical situation and the danger of a new war created in Korea by the U.S. imperialists.

We highly appreciate the constructive and just proposals put forward in the letter which was adopted at the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

These new proposals fully accord with the interests of the entire Korean people.

We will make every possible effort to take most effective steps in support of these important proposals for the peaceful reunification of Korea.

With fraternal greetings.

'NODONG SINMUN' CARRIES ARTICLE ON PREREQUISITES FOR UNITY

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[Text] Pyongyang 14 February (KCNA)——NODONG SINMUN runs an article headlined "End to fascist suppression and 'anti-communist' maneuvers is prerequisite to creating climate of great national unity" explaining the new national salvation proposal put forward by the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang. The article says:

What is most urgent today in removing the source of discord within the nation and creating a climate of great national unity is to put an end to the fascist suppression and "anti-communist" maneuvers in South Korea.

Since their usurpation of the puppet power in a burglarious way, the Pak Chong-hui clique have turned down all our fair and aboveboard proposals for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, and harshly cracked down upon the people, inciting hostility against the northern half of the republic all along under the slogan of "anti-communism."

Noting that the South Korean puppet clique have established a repressive system, cooked up numerous evil laws, and turned the whole of South Korea into a land of fascism under the reign of white terrorism, a "graveyard of democracy," by indiscriminately applying the evil laws, the article says:

More than 5,000 "laws" the Pak Chong-hui fascist gang has so far trumped up or revised for the worse in an underhanded way are all murderous fascist evil laws aimed at fascistizing South Korean society and putting down the people's desire for reunification.

The Pak Chong-hui clique proclaimed the "emergency martial law" on top of the "state of emergency," and cooked up the "revitalized constitution" to establish the system for their permanent office. Since then, their fascist suppression of the people has become all the more unscrupulous under the slogan of "anti-communism."

They framed up the "case of the National Federation of Youth and Students for Democracy" to inflict harsh penalties upon patriotic youths and students

and people of various strata, and rigged up the "case of the People's Revolutionary Party" to murder patriots. They imposed harsh penalties upon the publishers of "the declaration for democracy and national salvation" and inflicted capital punishment upon Korean youths from Japan studying in South Korea by faking up the "campus spy-ring case."

Noting that the Pak Chong-hui fascist clique are mad over inciting the North-South confrontation under the slogan of "anti-communism," the article goes on:

They are frantically inciting hostility against us through the "anti-communist" forces, and further militarizing and fascistizing society, crying for "anti-communism," "prevailing over communism," and even "destroying communism."

The Pak Chong-hui puppet clique are wielding bayonets against those who are desirous of reunification, and describing as "enemies" those compatriots with whom they should unite.

This strips naked the anti-national nature of the scoundrels who are against reunification and for the permanent split of the nation.

The proposal of the joint meeting of political parties and public organizations held in Pyongyang that an end be put to the fascist suppression and "anti-communist" maneuvers is the most just one for removing this obstacle to the cause of reunification.

The "anti-communist" din against the nation, and the sanguinary suppression of the people must be unconditionally stopped in South Korea, stresses the article in conclusion.

KIM IL-SONG GREETS REELECTION OF MOZAMBIQUE'S MACHEL

Pyongyang KCNA in English 0801 GMT 13 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang 18 February (KCNA)—The great leader Comrade Kim Il—song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea, sent a message of greetings to Comrade Samora Moises Machel on the latter's reelection as chairman of the Central Committee of the Liberation Front of Mozambique. The message reads:

Comrade Samora Moises Machel, chairman of the Central Committee, Liberation Front of Mozambique, Maputo

I, in the name of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea, the entire party membership, and in my own, extend warmest congratulations to you and, through you, to the Central Committee of the Liberation Front of Mozambique, on the successful conclusion of the third congress of the Liberation Front of Mozambique and your reelection as chairman of its Central Committee.

Your reelection as chairman of the Central Committee of the Liberation Front of Mozambique at the congress is an expression of the deep trust and high respect entertained for you by the entire Mozambican people who waged an arduous armed struggle for the country's liberation and independence, and are waging a vigorous struggle for building a new Mozambique under your correct leadership.

In the belief that the relations of friendship and cooperation forged between the Workers Party of Korea and the Liberation Front of Mozambique, and between the peoples of our two countries, in the common struggle against imperialism and for independence, will further strengthen and develop in all fields in the future, I take this opportunity to sincerely wish you fresh success in your responsible work for implementing the decisions of the congress and your good health.

Kim Il-song

General Secretary of the Central Committee

Workers Party of Korea

Pyongyang, February 12, 1977.

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KIM IL-SONG EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO MADAGASCAR

Pyongyang KCNA in English 1624 GMT 16 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang 16 February (KCNA)—The great leader Comrade Kim II—song, president of the state of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of sympathy to Didier Ratsiraka, president of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, upon hearing the news that some areas of Madagascar, including her capital, suffered great damages from the recent cyclone and flood. The message of sympathy reads:

His Excellency Didier Ratsiraka

President

Democratic Republic of Madagascar

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Upon hearing the news that some areas of Madagascar, including her capital, suffered great damages from the recent cyclone and flood, I express deep sympathy with your excellency and the people in the afflicted areas.

I firmly believe that the Malagasy Government and people under the correct leadership of your excellency will recover the cyclone and flood damages at an early date, and stabilize the life of the people in the afflicted areas.

Kim Il-song

President

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Pyongyang, 16 February 1977.

KIM IL-SONG REPLIES TO PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU'S MESSAGE

Pyongyang KCNA in English 0334 GMT 25 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 25 Feb (KCNA)—The great leader Comrade Kim Il—song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the state of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, general secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and president of the Romanian Socialist REpublic, in reply to his message of solidarity sent in support of the new national salvation proposal advanced by a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations held in Pyongyang some time ago. The reply message reads:

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu General Secretary Romanian Communist Party President Romanian Socialist Republic Bucharest

I express deep thanks for your message of solidarity in which you manifested full support to the letter containing a new national salvation proposal sent by a joint meeting of political parties and public organisations of our country to the political parties, public organisations and people of all strata in south Korea and compatriots overseas.

Your message of solidarity is a patent proof of the firm friendship and solidarity existing between the peoples of Korea and Romania and a great encouragement to our people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Expressing satisfaction over the fact that the traditional friendly and cooperative relations between our two peoples are further strengthening and developing in all field, I take this opportunity to sincerely wish the Romanian people great success in the struggle for carrying through the decision of the 11th congress of your party under the leadership of the Romanian Communist Party headed by you.—Kim Il—song, General Secretary of the Central Committee, Workers Party of Korea, President Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Pyongyang, 24 February 1977.

CASTRO REPLIES TO KIM IL-SONG NATIONAL DAY GREETINGS

Pyongyang KCNA in English 0330 GMT 2 Mar 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 2 Mar (KCNA)—The great leader Comrade Kim Il—song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and president of the state of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a message from Comrade Fidel Castro Ruz, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba and president of the State Council of the Republic of Cuba, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the 18th anniversary of the victory of the Cuban Revolution. The reply message reads:

Comrade Kim Il-song General Secretary of the Central Committee Workers Party of Korea President, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Pyongyang

I, in the name of the Communist Party and the government of Cuba and our people, express deep thanks to you and, through you, to the Workers Party of Korea, the government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people for the warm congratulations offered to the 18th anniversary of the victory of the Cuban Revolution.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I express the firm belief that the relations of friendship and cooperation between the parties, governments and peoples of our two countries forged in the struggle against U.S. imperialism and for the victory of the cause of socialism will grow stronger in the future on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism.

Please accept my fraternal greetings.

First Secretary of the Central Committee, Communist Party of Cuba President of the State Council, Republic of Cuba Havana, 14 February 1977.

KIM IL-SONG SYMPATHIZES WITH MOZAMBIQUE PRESIDENT ON FLOOD

Pyongyang KCNA in English 0330 GMT 28 Feb 77 OW

[Text] Pyongyang, 28 Feb (KCNA)—The great leader Comrade Kim Il—song, president of the state of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of sympathy to Samora Moises Machel, president of the People's Republic of Mozambique, in connection with the fact that the capital and various other areas of Mozambique were hit by a flood recently. The message reads:

Comrade Samora Moises Machel President, People's Republic of Mozambique Maputo

I heard the unhappy news that recently the capital and various other areas of Mozambique, hit by a flood, suffered big damages including a loss of life.

In this connection I express deep sympathy and consolation to Your Excellency and, through Your Excellency, to the people in the afflicted areas.

I firmly believe that the government and people of Mozambique under your correct leadership will recover from the flood damages as early as possible and stabilize the life of the people in the afflicted areas.

Kim Il-song President, Democratic People's Republic of Korea Pyongyang, 27 February 1977.

MERITORIOUS BOOKKEEPERS TO BE HONORED

Decree by DPRK Committee

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 11 Feb 77 OW

[Text] A DPRK Central People's Committee [CPC] decree on instituting the title of Meritorious DPRK Bookkeeper:

To honor at a national level functionaries who, firmly armed with the great chuche idea and displaying a high degree of boundless loyalty to our party, have performed outstanding feats during long years of financial and book-keeping service in an effort to implement the chuche-based financial policy and revolutionary financial operation policy of the party, the CPC of the DPRK has made the following decision:

- 1. To institute the title of Meritorious DPRK Bookkeeper; and
- 2. To approve stipulations on the requirements for the title of Meritorious ${\tt DPRK}$ Bookkeeper.

Kim Il-song, president of the DPRK

10 February 1977 Pyongyang

Regulations for Awarding Honor

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 11 Feb 77 OW

[Text] The regulations for awarding the title of the Meritorious DPRK Bookkeeper are:

1. The title of Meritorious DPRK Bookkeeper will be conferred on those financial and banking officials and bookkeepers who, firmly armed with the great chuche idea and by highly displaying an infinite loyalty to our party, have rendered, while continuously working in the financial management field for 20 years or more, distinguished services in the struggle to correctly

implement the state budget, and to put state funds to most effective use in compliance with the needs of the developing revolution, as well as in frugally managing the economy of the country, upholding our party's chuche-oriented fiscal and financial policies.

- 2. The title of Meritorious DPRK Bookkeeper will be awarded by the DPRK Central People's Committee [CPC].
- 3. Recipients of the title of Meritorious DPRK Bookkeeper will also receive the Order of National Flag, First Class, or the Order of Labor.

DPRK PAPER CALLS FOR EFFORTS IN TRANSPORTATION

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2313 GMT 13 Feb 77 SK

[NODONG SINMUN 14 February editorial: "Let Us Give Active Support to the Transportation Front"]

[Text] Together with all the working people of the country, the working class in all transportation fields, including the railroad transportation field, upholding the new year address of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, is effecting new innovations and a vigorous march in the struggle to smoothly guarantee the ever increasing transportation demand in every sector of the people's economy.

One of the most important tasks in this year's socialist economic construction is to effect a new revolutionary upsurge in the transportation front.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows in his new year address: "The front on which we must exert our efforts is, above all, the transportation front. The reinforcement of the transportation front is an important guarantee for further solidifying the height already occupied, and for successfully and effectively occupying a new height."

By easing the strain in the transportation front, including railroad transportation, which is the artery of the country and the people's economy, and marking a great innovation in the transportation of all cargo, including raw materials, fuel, and resources, we cannot only put the already constructed factories into full operation, but also construct more new factories, thus smoothly guaranteeing the development of the people's economy.

While further strengthening the brilliant victory and achievements already gained in the 6-year plan in all sectors of the economy, the success of the preparatory work to occupy the heights of the new prospective plan depends entirely upon how we reinforce the transportation front.

The weighty and large-scale tasks arising in the transportation field today ardently demand that the functionaries and workers in the transportation

field vigorously support the transportation front at every sector and unit of the people's economy, while successfully carrying out their assigned revolutionary tasks and duties with awareness of being masters and with a higher sense of responsibility.

The weighty tasks of vigorously expediting the electrification of the rail-roads, expanding the production of electric locomotives, combustion locomotives, 60-ton class freight cars, and other special freight cars, and mechanizing the work of loading and unloading cargo, are indeed difficult tasks which cannot be accomplished through the efforts of the transportation sector alone. Such weighty tasks can be successfully achieved only when all fields of the people's economy, including the heavy industrial field, vigorously carry out the struggle to support the transportation front. This is why today our party attaches great significance to the strengthening and development of the transportation front in the implementation of socialist construction, and the entire party and people are urged to vigorously support the transportation front.

Guiding functionaries and working people in every field and unit of the people's economy must be cognizant of, and grasp the current situation and prospects of our country's economy, and mark an epoch-making new turning point in the transportation front by vigorously supporting rail transportation, truck transportation, and maritime transportation to the maximum, upholding the programmatic instructions of the great leader concerning the designation of this year as a year to reinforce the transportation front.

The question arising in meeting the demand of the party to actively support the transportation front is for the functionaries and working people to deeply recognize the significance and importance of transportation work, and to display the spirit and responsibility worthy of masters in carrying out their assigned revolutionary tasks.

Party organizations and functionaries in all fields of the people's economy must thoroughly carry out the great leader's instructions and the party's policies concerning active support to the transportation front in a spirit of absoluteness, and ambitiously and successfully conduct organizational and political work in order to mobilize and utilize a wide range of the masses and all available potential.

To continuously and vigorously push ahead with railroad electrification work is a most important task to enhance and promote transportation capability at the present time. The electrification of the main trunk lines of our country's railroads has already been completed, thanks to the great leader's plan to change the railroad transportation of our country into mighty socialist railroad transportation equipped with modern technology.

Speed Battle Youth Shock Brigade members and railroad construction workers who are infinitely loyal to the great leader have successfully completed the difficult electrification work of the railroad between Chongjin and

Musan in only half a year, and opened the railroad for operation in the new year by unstintedly displaying high revolutionary zeal and creative activism in the construction work from the beginning.

The task arising in the railroad transportation field this year is to vigor-ously push ahead with electrification of the railroad between Tanchon and Kumtok and between Kiluu and Hyesan.

Speed Battle Youth Shock Brigade members and railroad construction workers must perform brilliant new exploits in expediting railroad electrification work by displaying the indomitable spirit and the spirit of self-reliance in their assigned duties.

In order to vigorously push ahead with railroad electrification, the factories and enterprises concerned, including machine factories, should responsibly manufacture and supply on time electric locomotives, traction engines, transformers, and other equipment, and materials required for railroad electrification work. Copper mines, too, should increase production on a large scale by mobilizing all the potential available.

To definitely increase production of various types of locomotives and freight cars, and to repair on time equipment and materials on hand so as to increase their utilization, are most important tasks in alleviating the strain of the transportation front. Success in this task depends on how well the leading functionaries carry out their economic organization work, and how strenuously they strive to accomplish their assignments.

Functionaries in the metal and machine industrial sectors should give priority to the supply of necessary steel materials and other cooperative products so that railroad factories can concentrate on expediting the production of locomotives and freight cars, and carry out repair of these items on time. At the same time, all factories and enterprises, including metal and chemical factories, should actively contribute to the promotion of railroad transportation capabilities by expending great care in handling freight cars entering spur tracks to prevent damage to them, and by doing responsible repair on these freight cars.

The mechanization of the loading and unloading process is a key to more smoothly alleviating the strain in the transportation front.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught us: "It is necessary to wage an active struggle to improve railroad freight stations, including concentrated freight stations, and to mechanize the loading and unloading process."

Improving railroad freight stations, including concentrated freight stations, and mechanizing the loading and unloading process are factors guaranteeing enhancing the superiority of concentrated transportation systems for large quantities of cargo, and facilitating the transportation of larger quantities of cargo using freight cars now available.

Leading functionaries of factories and enterprises in various sectors of the people's economy should display a lofty sense of responsibility in rendering material, technical, and labor support to concentrated freight stations and railroad warehouse construction work sites. In particular, they should vigorously carry out a mass movement in building cargo storage facilities along spur tracks at enterprises, and setting up loading and unloading facilities. At the same time, enterprises concerned, including machinery plants, should further increase production of mechanized carriage means, such as railroad cranes, belt conveyors, interior transportation vehicles, and loading and unloading equipment, and should supply them to railroad stations. They should vigorously wage a struggle to develop the three transports [conveyor belts, cableways, and pipelines].

In order to further enhance transportation capability by shortening loading and unloading time, it is important to manufacture freight containers on a large scale and effectively utilize them. Economic organizations and factories concerned should speed up the production of containers, pay close attention to improving their quality, and fulfill their assignments on time.

Factories and enterprises in various sectors of the people's economy should expedite the production of large-size vehicles, their parts, trailers, and (? large cargo boxes), and responsibly guarantee the supply of steel materials and various other materials required for this purpose.

In order to strengthen support activities for this field so as to achieve innovations on the transportation front, party organizations at all levels should further strengthen party leadership. Local party organizations, including those of factories and enterprises, along with organizing systematic measures to vigorously support railroad and other transportation work, should strengthen indoctrination so that all party members and workers will take good care of railroad facilities—the state's and people's valuable asset.

Only when all transportation workers—the masters of transportation work directly in charge of the work—safeguard their revolutionary outposts can they successfully obtain active support from various sectors of the people's economy.

Functionaries of the transportation front should give priority to the political campaign designed to encourage all functionaries and transportation workers to dedicate themselves to transporting as much freight as possible, with unswerving loyalty to the great leader, and with an awareness of being masters. Improving the transportation system and establishing rigid revolutionary discipline and order, they should also strengthen party leadership in order to bring about a basic turning-point in transportation work. In particular, they should pay close attention to strengthening linked transportation by railroad, truck, and ship.

Let functionaries and workers of every unit and sector of the people's economy brilliantly fulfill the great leader's lofty idea of designating this year as marking an upsurge on the transportation front by cooperating with all transportation workers to more vigorously struggle to alleviate the strain on the transportation front.

PYONGYANG RADIO URGES MORE CONSERVATION OF RESOURCES

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[Unattributed talk: "Let Us More Vigorously Wage a Struggle to Economize on Materials in Every Unit and Sector"]

[Text] Today, workers throughout the country have unanimously risen up to struggle, and are advancing to brilliantly implement the programmatic task set forth by the great leader in his new year message. Today, when the preparation is complete to successfully occupy the heights of a new prospective plan, one of the important tasks assigned to us is to further vigorously wage a struggle to economize on materials in every unit and sector of the people's economy.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught us in his new year message: "We should improve economic guidance and the management of enterprises, and more vigorously wage a struggle to increase production and economize on materials."

The great leader's instruction to vigorously wage a struggle to increase production and economize on materials constitutes a programmatic guideline for mobilizing and utilizing the available potential so as to vigorously push ahead with socialist construction.

To wage a vigorous struggle to economize on materials is a basic requirement of socialist society and one of the important principles in managing the socialist economy. In a socialist country, every asset, from factories, schools, and hospitals, to a single piece of equipment and one gram of raw material, is jointly owned by the people, and are valuable assets which contribute to the development and prosperity of the nation, and to the improvement of the living standard of the people. To economize on and utilize these valuable assets in the most effective manner is a key to enhancing the people's economy throughout the country, and to improving the living standard of the people.

Since the people are the masters of the country, and since the state operates all production means and labor forces in accordance with a consolidated plan, extravagant waste of materials is not allowed in socialist society as in capitalist society. The masses strive to economize on the nation's assets, and mobilize the potential available to the maximum to manufacture as much as possible with the awareness of being masters of the revolution and with lofty political enthusiasm.

The struggle to economize on materials being waged in our socialist country as a nation-wide all-people's movement is a powerful impetus vigorously pushing ahead overall economic construction, and is one of the important means of strengthening the nation's economic might and enhancing the living standard of the people.

Today the situation created in our country, and the demanding revolutionary mission assigned to us, demand that we more vigorously wage a struggle to economize on materials in every unit and sector. In order to expel from this land the U.S. imperialists—inveterate foe of the Korean people—and take a lead in fulfilling the grand revolutionary task of attaining the reunification of the fatherland, we should exert more effort in economizing on materials, and vigorously expedite socialist construction. Also, in order to brilliantly achieve the glorious task of completely preparing ourselves for victoriously occupying the heights of a new prospective plan in every unit and sector of the people's economy, upholding the great leader's lofty call this year, we should more vigorously wage a struggle to economize on materials so that we can manufacture more products, utilizing available equipment, materials, and potential.

Moreover, to more vigorously wage a struggle to economize on materials poses an important problem, because we should further realize the nation's economic self-reliance and continuously develop the economy, relying more on domestic resources, in the circumstances in which many world nations are faced with economic crises due to raw material and fuel shortages. This situation, along with the call for further increasing production, urgently demands that all workers should economize on the nation's assets and frugally run the state.

With the successful completion of the 6-year economic plan under the great leader's wise leadership, our country's self-reliant economy has been expanded to an incomparably immense size, and has an exhaustible production potential. If we effectively mobilize and utilize all of this potential, we can manufacture more products using the equipment, materials, and labor forces available.

We should grasp fully and fulfill unconditionally the party intention of intensifying the struggle to economize on materials. Thoroughly implementing the party's militant slogan, "Let us economize on materials," constitutes an important factor guaranteeing more expedient realization of socialist

construction. Every fact shows that functionaries' and workers' burning loyalty to the great leader and the party, their attitude and manner worthy of the master of revolution, and a lofty revolutionary enthusiasm are keys to guaranteeing success in the struggle for economizing on materials.

Our past struggle experience of marking a revolutionary upsurge by carrying out a nation-wide chollima drive, upholding the great leader's militant call for maximum production increases and economizing, and creating a great sensation by marking a new upsurge on the socialist construction battlefield—upon which an historic 70-day battle was vigorously waged in response to the party center's glorious call—clearly shows that all functionaries and workers, if they respond to a struggle to economize with burning loyalty to the great leader and the party, can crush all forms of conservatism and mysticism and find the inexhaustible potential.

The most important thing in vigorously waging an economization struggle, and in frugally running the state, is for all functionaries and workers to firmly arm themselves with the great leader's revolutionary and chuche ideologies. By arming themselves with the great leader's revolutionary and chuche ideologies, all party members and workers can assume the attitude and manner of being the master of revolution so as to frugally manage everything, and display a creative activism and originality in increasing the nation's assets.

We should economize on materials as much as possible in running the state by closely studying, mastering, and realizing the great leader's revolutionary ideology and the party policy—the materialization of the leader's ideology. At the same time, all workers in every unit and sector should display the revolutionary spirit of economizing on even one kilowatt of electricity, one gram of coal, and a strand of yarn, with the noble socialist patriotism of loving the socialist fatherland and revolutionary gains, and with a lofty sense of responsibility worthy of revolutionary masters.

All functionaries and workers should clearly understand that they have a share of the nation's assets, and that only when the nation's economic assets increase can their living standard be improved. Also, they should produce as much as possible by mobilizing to the maximum the potential available for the sake of the party, revolution, the society, and masses.

In order to further vigorously wage a conservation struggle, it is very important, along with enhancing workers' awareness of being masters, to carry out economic organization work and establish technical and economic measures. Following the military commanders' manner of organizing their tactics and operations with a complete grasp of their units' status, all leading functionaries should establish clear battle objectives for increasing production and economizing based on a concrete grasp of techniques, production, and administration. Also, they should skillfully assume combat leadership, taking into consideration the supply of raw materials, the condition of equipment, workers' technical and intellectual standards, and various other factors.

First of all, every effort should be made to lower the average material consumption per unit of product. Lowering the material consumption per unit of product is a key to economizing on the nation's assets, including raw materials. All units and sectors should comprehensively study the standards for consuming raw materials, detect means of lowering material consumption per unit of product, boldly adopt plans to effect technical innovation, and definitely reduce the consumption of coal, electricity, cement, steel materials, and various other raw materials.

Continuously renovating techniques helps lower the average material consumption per unit of product, and constitutes an important factor guaranteeing a further economizing concerning the assets of the nation and society. All functionaries and workers, laboring most expeditiously and in a safe manner, should economize on raw materials, manufacture the greatest possible quantity of products by elevating their technical standards and, in conjunction with technicians, adopt various plans for improving techniques—such as the methods of using tools, including the use of automation and remote control devices.

To further improve the quality of products, we must wage a vigorous popular technical renovation campaign, crushing distrust of technology, and boldly improving it. The struggle for improving the quality of products is one of the important tasks in stepping up production exclusively dependent on the resources on hand. All production units, while reinforcing the technical renovation movement, must strictly observe the standard operational procedures and technical regulations, thereby contributing to minimizing rejects. Every product requires the painstaking craftsmanship of workers devoted to the party and revolution.

All sectors and units of the nation's economy must make the best use of the idle facilities and materials, and wage a mass struggle for utilizing all serviceable materials and supplies sorted out from scrap. They must have decent warehouses to store supplies in good condition, and they must take proper measures to prevent loss of materials during transportation. They must also avoid hoarding or wasting the supplies. Through such an intensified material saving drive and increased labor productivity, they must lower the production cost per product by an average of 2 percent. Meanwhile, ideological education for party members and workers must be intensified so that they may lead the national economy as frugally as possible in the manner of the master of the country.

Establishing a revolutionary system and rigorous rules for custody of government property, along with intensified campaigns against obsolete ideas, is another important remedy for successfully carrying out the material savings campaign. Individualism still exists among the people in carelessly handling government and social property and taking less care of the state's interests than their own. We must immediately resist such remaining obsolete ideas, no matter how seemingly unimportant they may be. Specific standing operational procedures, in addition to the laws and regulations, must be arranged concerning registration and disposal of government property.

Like all other projects, to ensure success of the material saving campaign, it must be waged on a nationwide scale and with the mobilization of all workers and functionaries. Therefore, all units of the nation's economy must wage a struggle for conserving state and social property and effectively controlling the nation's economy on a nationwide scale. Any kind of savings campaign is a valuable struggle which develops the overall national economy and consolidates and advances our socialist system. Everyone is urged to uphold the great leader's new year address, reinforce the material saving campaign, and accelerate socialist construction, thereby successfully fulfilling this year's historical projects.

INCREASED OUTPUT OF MINING EQUIPMENT REPORTED

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[Text] Pyongyang 12 February (KCNA)—Freight trains fully loaded with mining equipment are now running to coal and ore mines in an unbroken chain in our country.

Upholding the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song on keeping the mining industries decidedly ahead of the processing industries, the workers of the mining machine plants and three-revolution team members dispatched there are powerfully supporting the coal and ore mines with an increased supply of mining equipment.

In the recent month they produced 1,570 more coal cars and 500 more rock-drills than in the corresponding period last year, and also increased the output of conveyors and iron props.

The workers of the Sunchon coal mine machine plant fulfilled a monthly plan in 15 days by waging the speed battle with the determination to carry out the coal car production plan for the year set 90 percent above the results of last year before 10 October, the anniversary of the founding of the Workers Party of Korea. By pooling their efforts and wisdom they have partially remodeled the coal car to markedly extend its life span and cut the consumption of steel 13 percent below the norm by increasing the proportion of the work by the presses.

The workers of the Hoeryong coal mine machine plant have sharply boosted the output of coal cars as against the comparable time last year by introducing efficient assembling devices.

An energetic drive to lift the output of pit cars and mining equipment is also under way at the 30 March factory, the 28 September factory, and the Charyonggwan mining machine plant.

In recent years the machine plants in the field of the mining industries of the country have produced many kinds of new efficient machines to equip the ore and coal mines.

The coal mine workers are carrying out the comprehensive mechanization of coal excavation with the introduction of such modern coal cutting equipment as cylinder-style coal cutters and chain conveyers, and mechanized stope supports.

EDITORIAL URGES MORE CHEMICAL FERTILIZER PRODUCTION

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[NODONG SINMUN 12 February editorial: "Let Us Send More Chemical Fertilizer to the Agricultural Front"]

[Text] Today, one of the most important militant tasks facing our workers in the chemical industry field is to produce and supply greater quantities of high-quality chemical fertilizer for agricultural workers who are making energetic efforts to harvest another bumper crop this year and, thereby, uphold the militant tasks set forth by Comrade Kim Il-song, the great leader, in his new year's address.

Comrade Kim Il-song, the great leader, has taught: "We must produce and supply greater quantities of chemical fertilizer for the countryside. Only by doing so can we make the land fertile and attain the grain production goal."

By sending large quantities of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals to the agricultural front, it will be possible to make greater strides in agriculture this year and to energetically accelerate efforts toward the attainment of the 10 million-ton grain goal.

As taught by the great leader, fertilizer means rice, and rice means socialism. The more we use manure properly to meet scientific and technical requirements, the more grain we can harvest, and the more fertile land we can enjoy.

Only when our workers produce and supply large quantities of good chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals will it be possible to increase perchongbo crop output through intensive agricultural production, industrialize and modernize agriculture through the acceleration of chemicalization of agriculture, free our farmers from arduous labor, and rapidly narrow the gap between agricultural and industrial labor.

Today, particularly when the effects of the cold front still persist, to produce and supply greater quantities of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals for the socialist countryside is an honorable and worthy task for demonstrating the might of the chuche-based farming method initiated by the great leader, and for adding luster to the genuine superiority of our socialist rural economic system.

Every part of the agricultural front is humming with preparations for this year's farming, and demands are more urgent than ever before for the assorted chemical fertilizers and agricultural chemicals to be more properly produced and supplied in good time.

All functionaries and workers charged with the task of producing chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals must be deeply aware of the importance of their task in accelerating the victorious progress on the agricultural front, one of the main targets for this year, and step up their efforts to bring about a great upsurge in production, and thereby, responsibly assist the socialist countryside.

As previous successes in all tasks indicate, the basic guarantee for bringing about a revolutionary upsurge in the production of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals is for all functionaries and workers in this field to highly display the revolutionary spirit based on the absoluteness and unconditionality of the great leader's teachings and the party's policies.

The unconditional implementation of the great leader's teachings is a basic demand of, and basic yardstick for our chemical workers' loyalty to the great leader, and a basic guarantee for achieving a success in the production of chemical fertilizer.

Functionaries and workers in the chemical industry field must uphold from the bottom of their hearts the teachings of the great leader to the fertilizer industry field, display the high, revolutionary spirit of unconditionally and fully carrying out every detail of the teachings without losing any time, and thus unfailingly fulfill their chemical fertilizer production assignments on a daily, monthly, and quarterly basis, and as dictated by the production index.

One of the important steps toward bringing about a new upsurge in the production of chemical fertilizer is to improve the operation of equipment, and thus put all existing fertilizer-producing equipment into full use.

Comrade Kim I1-song, the great leader, has taught: "The proper operation of equipment is the most important condition for keeping production on the proper track and a principle to be put into practice under the production system."

To methodically operate equipment, the basic weapon of producers, is one of the important principles to be maintained with in the production system.

In particular, this is very urgent in the production processes of chemical fertilizer which call for high temperature, high pressure, and a conveyer-type system.

All functionaries and workers in the fields of nitrogen fertilizer, phosphorous fertilizer, and other chemical fertilizers, must display a high degree of enthusiasm on their own accord, strictly follow technical rules and standard operating procedures, develop this work style into a part of everyday life, and always make a conscious effort to cherish and handle equipment with the utmost care.

Today, in particular, the automated and mechanized level of all chemical fertilizer factory equipment is high, and all their production processes closely interact. Therefore, even a single error in the operation of any process of production may have an irretrievable effect on the whole production process.

Therefore, all workers and guidance personnel in this field must raise their technical standards, make energetic efforts to become familiar with the equipment, have a good and correct grasp of the performance, technical conditions, and technological characteristics of the equipment, operate their equipment skillfully and responsibly, and thus fully increase the operational rate of all fertilizer-producing equipment.

To promote a planned, preventive maintenance service for equipment is an important step toward operating modern, scientific equipment in a scientific and streamlined manner, and increasing the utilization rate of equipment.

Every factory and enterprise in the chemical industrial field must keep tool shops in good condition, give priority to the production of parts of equipment, and unfailingly stockpile enough spare parts for 3-month's use. In particular, they must keep spare machinery on hand and unfailingly perform planned, preventive maintenance and equipment inspection on a regular basis as required by the established system and rule.

In this way they will insure full operation of all equipment, produce great quantities of the three basic fertilizers—including phosphate fertilizer, microelement fertilizer, and various agricultural chemicals and herbicides—and send adequate quantities of these products in good time to agricultural working people who are busy with farming preparations.

To bring about a new upsurge in the production of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals, apatite mines, iron sulfate mines, and all other fields concerned with the production of chemical fertilizer, must responsibly insure the production of raw materials and other types of materials and fuel.

Functionaries and workers of all mines and collieries linked to the production of chemical fertilizer must give priority to tunneling and stripping

operations in a manner worthy of vanguards in the march toward the production of fertilizer, accelerate overall mechanization of in-pit operations, insure the production of large quantities of various minerals, including high-quality concentrated phosphate ore and coal, and thus see to it that chemical fertilizer producers can work with necessary raw materials and fuel in stock.

At the same time, energy-producing workers and transport workers across the country, and party members and working people in all fields concerned with the production of chemical fertilizer, in a manner worthy of masters sharing the responsibility of attaining the 10 million-ton grain goal, must unfailingly insure, as planned, the supply of electric power, loess, powdered sulfate, adhesive agents, and all raw materials and conditions needed for the production of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals, transport large quantities of materials, including ore and anthracite coal, in a timely, swift, and precise manner, thus standardizing the production of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals on a high level.

Furthermore, all chemical fertilizer producers must display the spirit of managing the economy assiduously and methodically, and produce more and better while using less raw materials, by methodically and responsibly handling valuable raw materials—produced through the wisdom and sweat of our workers—without even the slightest waste, and by taking pains to economize in the use of them.

Improving and strengthening the economic organizational service to meet the requirements of actual developments is one of the important tasks in increasing the production of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals.

As the practical experiences of advanced teams indicate, if functionaries who have the same equipment, materials, and manpower meticulously plan the operation of enterprises and organize production, they will be able to achieve much greater results in production and further accelerate progress.

All guidance personnel of the Chemical Industry Ministry, the Mining Industry Committee, and all other sectors of the chemical fertilizer industry, must work out concrete operational plans to the smallest detail, insure thorough support regarding plans, prepare foolproof production guidance and organizational service in addition to the organization of manpower and technical guidance, and skillfully and dynamically carry out the fertilizer production task for the current year through the proper organization of [words indistinct].

Furthermore, all party organizations and three-revolution teams in this field must more practically perform political and ideological work so that administrative and economic functionaries and working people can create innovations in their work areas to meet the requirement of the immense tasks facing them this year. By practically planning and performing work in an effort, insure correct realization of their fighting determination as participants in the movement for winning the red flag of the three revolutions, we must see to it that more fierce flames of massive innovations rage and spread in all fields—ideological, technical, and cultural.

To produce and supply greater quantities of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals to the agricultural front, humming with preparations for this year's farming, is an honorable and worthy struggle to put into reality the lofty intention of the great leader who is trying to make the country rich and strong in order to enable our people to lead better lives.

Let us all uphold the instructions of Comrade Kim Il-song, the great leader, and the militant call of the party, bring about a new, great upsurge in the production of chemical fertilizer and agricultural chemicals, and thus extend energetic support to the agricultural working people's efforts to attain the goal of 10 million tons of grain.

'NODONG SINMUN' EDITORIAL ON POULTRY INDUSTRY

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[NODONG SINMUN 17 February editorial: "Let Us Mark a New Upsurge in the Development of the Poultry Industry."]

[Summary] Stressing the vital importance poultry bears in the nation's socialist construction and improvement of the people's livelihood, the great leader recently gave programmatic instructions in regard to effective utilization of the existing costly modern poultry bases and development of the poultry industry in a nationwide drive.

"With the nation's economic production remarkably built up as a result of the successful accomplishment of the six-year plan and the party's thoughtful policy measures toward the people, the people's livelihood has been upgraded and so their demand for eggs and meat is increasing day after day."

"To meet the mounting demand of the people for eggs and meat, innovations must be made in the development of poultry. Poultry requires less feed and labor than livestock raising, and provides us with meat and eggs quickly at a cheaper price. In addition, the development of poultry promotes production of such agricultural products as grain, fruit and vegetables, as well as the food processing industry."

"The most important thing in bringing about innovations in the development of poultry is that the functionaries and workers of this sector thoroughly fulfill the revolutionary tasks assigned them with high party spirit, working class spirit, and people-mindedness."

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows: "One of the important tasks facing the nation's poultry workers is to step up production on the chicken farms while reducing costs."

Another critical element in boosting poultry production is to introduce advanced technology and experience to the nation's poultry industry for more effective and hygenic management of chicken farms.

"Under the present conditions of the nation's industrialized poultry industry and all chicken farms equipped with modern machinery and equipment, it is important to keep this machinery and equipment in good condition to raise its efficiency and sustain poultry production at a high level. In this connection, the maintenance and power shops on chicken farms must be reinforced with material and technical assistance to normalize repair and maintenance of their machinery and equipment, and plants manufacturing poultry tools and equipment must formulate plans for mass production of necessary poultry tools and equipment."

Along with bolstering the state-run chicken farms, rural cooperative farms and individual households are called upon to raise their own chickens. To further develop the nation's poultry industry, training centers for poultry specialists must be established and, especially, institutes of poultry science and technology must greatly expand their role.

In parallel with fostering the poultry industry, the people should stage a nationwide movement to raise rabbits.

"Party organizations at all levels, labor organizations, and party members and workers of the poultry industry, must effect a great upsurge in the development of the poultry industry by following the great leader's programmatic instructions on poultry so that the people can enjoy abundant meat and eggs and accelerate socialist construction more vigorously."

BRIEFS

CONVEYOR BELT SYSTEM--A large conveyor belt system stretching from the stripping field of a mine in Unyul to the sea near Kumsanpo is greatly contributing to tideland reclamation work, a part of the nature transformation work now being pursued. Two embankments built in the sea now reach to Nunggum Island, thus making this island a part of the mainland. The conveyor runs from the youth sector of the mine through Kumsanpo, Nunggum Island, Kom Island, and Chongyang Island to the Wolsa Peninsula in Kwail County. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0300 GMT 16 Feb 77 SK]

CHONGJIN RAIL TRANSPORT—The Chongjin locomotive unit, as of 14 February, has operated a total of 5 million kilometers without an accident transporting an extra 1,183,000 tons of cargo. Along with this, the transportation workers of the locomotive unit have conducted political indoctrination work among the students, people, and workers at the enterprises and factories along the rail lines concerning railroad regulations. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 16 Feb 77 SK]

ORE PRODUCTION—The Chonnam mine of Hochon County, South Hamgyong Province, as of 15 February, has overfulfilled its ore production quota for February by 113 percent by improving tunneling. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 16 Feb 77 SK]

CLOTHING PRODUCTION--The Sariwon clothing factory has overfulfilled as of 13 February its production plan for the first quarter of the year by 124.4 percent. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 16 Feb 77 SK]

PUKCHANG RAILWAY TRANSPORT—Transportation personnel of the Pukchang railway branch office have been moving larger quantities of coal to a thermal power plant. They have transported 30 percent more coal daily than the specified freight—car tonnage. Crew members of locomotive engine No 5009 have moved 500 more tons of coal per trip than the specified per—trip tonnage. Trans—portation crews of Changsang and Songwon stations overfulfilled their daily transportation plan by more than 10 percent. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 20 Feb 77 OW]

YONGYAN MINERS' ACHIEVEMENTS--The Yongyang mine in Tanchon County is bringing about a great revolutionary upsurge in mineral production. Two members of a tunneling platoon, determined to fulfill the first half-year plan for this year by 15 April, have overfulfilled their daily assignments by up to 200 percent. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 20 Feb 77 OW]

CHONGCHON RIVER POWERPLANT—Assembly work on a second generator is rapidly progressing at the Chongchon river thermal powerplant following the completion of the No 1 generator. The pace of construction work such as of the engine room, coal supply system, and heat and air systems, is now 50 percent faster than before. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 17 Feb 77 OW]

LOCOMOTIVE REPAIR—Ho Tae—yong locomotive unit workers are affecting a new upsurge in locomotive and freight car repair work through technical innovation and introduction of new work methods. They have succeeded in cutting repair work time to half that during the same period last year. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0100 GMT 9 Feb 77 SK] The Huichon locomotive unit workers are scoring a sweeping upsurge in electric locomotive repair work. Through the introduction of new and advanced technology, they have managed to cut repair work time in half. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0100 GMT 9 Feb SK]

COAL TRANSPORT—The Onchon railroad station workers are accelerating coal transportation. Through effective management of the railway system, they have managed to cut the waiting period of each freight train in half and are transporting 500 tons more of coal daily. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0100 GMT 9 Feb 77 SK]

CLOTHING FACTORY--The Unpa clothing plant in North Hwanghae Province has produced twice the volume of student uniforms as in the same period last year. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0200 GMT 14 Feb 77 SK]

SCORES CD EXERCISES—Pyongyang 18 February (KCNA)—The Pak Chong—hui military gang 15 February staged again a war exercise called "civil defense training" throughout South Korea, according to a report from Seoul. At around 3 pm that day, the gangsters noisily sounded an "alarm for the exercise" and forced people, including old folks, children, and even sick people, to "take shelter" against "air raids" at workshops and villages. The gangsters raised a hue and cry, driving out inhabitants to what they called "emergency rehabilitation" and "anti—fire work" in 75 areas of South Korea. This is a military racket intended to back the false rumors of "threat of southward invasion" they are persistently spreading, and justify the preparations for a war of aggression against the North. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0405 GMT 17 Feb 77 OW]

FILM STUDIO FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY—Pyongyang, 3 Mar (KCNA)—The Korean Feature Film Studio, a seat of chuche-based art, significantly celebrated its 30th birthday. A report meeting celebrating the 30th birthday of the Korean Feature Film Studio was held at the People's Palace of Culture on 2 March. The meeting heard a congratulatory message of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea addressed to the entire members of the Korean Feature Film Studio thanks to the deep solicitude of the great leader Comrade Kim Il—song. [Excerpts] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 1032 GMT 3 Mar 77 OW]

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